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TAGS: PBOR, KS, CH

SUBJ: PRC POSITION ON OIL EXPLORATION IN YELLOW AND E CHINA
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REF: A) SEOUL 1671, B) HONG KONG 2646

1. REF B REPORTED PRC STATEMENT CARRIED BY NCNA TO EFFECT
ROKG PERMITTING DRILLING FOR OIL IN SEAS WHERE JURISDICTION
NOT YET DELIMITED. THIS REASSERTION BY PRC LENDS FURTHER
SUPPORT TO US POSITION PREVIOUSLY COMMUNICATED TO FIELD,
NAMELY THAT EXPLORATION EFFORTS ARE RESPONSIBILITY OF EX-
PLORING FIRM. US CANNOT, REPEAT NOT, TAKE POSITION ON
ACCEPTABILITY OF ROKG CLAIM OR AGREE THAT ANY AREA MORE
OR LESS SAFE THAN ANY OTHER. PREVIOUSLY STATED GUIDELINES
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STILL APPLY, NAMELY FOREIGN FLAG SHIP STAFFED WITH NON-AMERICANS AND USING ONLY NON- STRATEGIC EQUIPMENT.

2. AMBASSADOR' S STATEMENT TO FOREIGN MINISTER, REF A, IS ACCURATE PRESENTATION OF US POSITION AND SHOULD BE REPEATED IN EVENT QUESTION RAISED BY OTHER OFFICIALS OR OIL COMPAN-IES. ADS. RUSH

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